

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1890.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of December, 1890; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th November, 1890, . . .	170,350		Rents Fixed— By Chief Commission to 29th November, 1890, . . .	3,350	
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	191		" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	17	3,567
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 29th November, 1890, . . .	7,084	170,541	By Sub-Commissions to 29th November, 1890, . . .	181,678	
Do. in month of December, 1890, . . .	25		" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	1,502	183,940
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th November, 1890, . . .	27,484	7,977	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 29th November, 1890, . . .	1,973	
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	66		" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	25	1,998
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 29th Nov., 1890, . . .	1,156	27,550	By Sub-Commissions to 29th November, 1890, . . .	33,808	
Do. in month of December, 1890, . . .	11		" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	442	34,311
		1,167	Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 29th November, 1890, . . .	4,682	
			" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	16	4,698
			By Sub-Commissions to 29th November, 1890, . . .	8,416	
			" in month of Dec., 1890, . . .	75	8,491
Total, . . .	—	207,235	Total disposed of, . . .	—	186,109

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 35, fixing Fair Rent to 29th November, 1890, . . .	106,600
Do., do., in month of December, 1890, . . .	288
Total, . . .	106,888

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 29th November, 1890,	1,118	1,121	Number disposed of to 29th Nov., 1890,	1,481
Applications received in month of December, 1890,	9		" in month of December, 1890,	9
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 29th Nov., 1890,	27	27		
Do. in month of Dec., 1890,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 29th November, 1890,	275	280		
Applications in month of Dec., 1890,	5			
Total,	—	2,128	Total disposed of,	1,890

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, the rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an "Originating Notice."

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1888,†	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 29th Nov., 1890,	20	20
		" in month of Dec., 1890,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Nov., 1890,	25	25
		" in month of Dec., 1890,	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 29th Nov., 1890,	3	3
		" in month of Dec., 1890,	—	
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	48

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 31st February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 29th Nov., 1890,	9	9	Applications granted to 29th Nov., 1890,	—	—
" in month of Dec., 1890,	—		" in month of December, 1890,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 29th November, 1890,	3	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Nov., 1890,	3	5
" in month of December, 1890,	—		" in month of December, 1890,	—	
			Applications withdrawn to 29th November, 1890,	1	1
			" in month of December, 1890,	—	
Total,	—	12	Total disposed of,	—	6

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 29th Nov., 1890,	3,017	Rents fixed to 29th Nov., 1890,	2,333	2,334
“ in December, 1890,	—	“ in December, 1890,	1	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 29th Nov., 1890,	250	251
		“ in December, 1890,	1	
Total,	3,017	Total disposed of,	—	2,585

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 29th Nov., 1890,	36,006	Number heard to 29th Nov., 1890,	14,068	14,117
“ in month of Dec., 1890,	119	“ in month of Dec., 1890,	49	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 29th Nov., 1890,	1,076	601
		“ in month of Dec., 1890,	—	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st December, 1890,	1,076	14,009
			275	
		Number withdrawn to 29th Nov., 1890,	14,463	20,527
		“ in month of Dec., 1890,	116	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	6,588
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	
Total,	36,125	Total,	—	36,125

* The Full number of Appeals decided by Court in December, 85

† In 648 cases the Notices were struck out because wages were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 481 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 68 cases, and of the latter 122 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 29th November, 1890,	24,012	£ 8,415,597
“ in December, 1890,	211	65,054
	24,223	8,584,651
Loans sanctioned to 29th November, 1890,	18,503	7,603,370
“ in December, 1890,	476	122,053
	18,979	7,727,423
Loans issued to 29th November, 1890,	18,937	8,907,968
“ in December, 1890,	254	86,597
	19,191	8,994,565

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1890.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of December, 1890.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th November, 1890, . . .	34,150	26,428	Rents fixed to 29th Nov., 1890, . . .	12,738	12,852
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	278		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	76	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 29th November, 1890, . . .	3,416	3,470	Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th November, 1890, . . .	2,619	2,623
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	34		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	4	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to 29th Nov., 1890, . . .	1,732	1,734	Applications withdrawn* to 29th November, 1890, . . .	263	263
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	4		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th November, 1890, . . .	8,813	8,822
			" in month of December, 1890, . . .	34	
Total, . . .	—	29,634	Total disposed of, . . .	—	34,590

(b) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 29th November, 1890, . . .	6,966
Do., do. in month of December, 1890, . . .	6
Total, . . .	6,972

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a settlement has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.).	399	403	Number disposed of to 29th November, 1890, . . .	165	167
Applications received to 29th November, 1890, . . .			" in month of December, 1890, . . .	2	
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	3	3	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th Nov., 1890, . . .	27	27
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81), received to 29th November, 1890, . . .	3		Transferred in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
Applications received in month of December, 1890, . . .	—				
Total, . . .	—	403	Total disposed of, . . .	—	194

* The first notice of application to the Court, setting the decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSOR OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 23rd Nov., 1890, . . .	—	—
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 23rd November, 1890, . . .	6	6
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 23rd November, 1890, . . .	—	—
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 23rd November, 1890, . . .	—	—
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
Total, . . .	6	Total disposed of, . . .	—	6

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 29th November, 1890, . . .	19	Applications granted to 29th November, 1890, . . .	1	1
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Nov., 1890, . . .	2	2
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 29th November, 1890, . . .	1	1
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th November, 1890, . . .	3	3
		" in month of December, 1890, . . .	—	
Total, . . .	20	Total disposed of, . . .	—	7

Irish Land Commission, }
15th January, 1891.

JOHN H. FRANKS.